# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:

CASE NO. 16-22227-JAD

JANET C. FLAHERTY

DEBTOR : CHAPTER 13

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JANET C. FLAHERTY

MOVANTS

VS.

NO RESPONDENTS :

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO CONFIRMED PLAN DATED AUGUST 5, 2019

- Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1329, the Debtor has filed an Amended Chapter 13 Plan dated July 13, 2020, which is annexed hereto at Exhibit "A" (the "Amended Chapter 13 Plan").
   Pursuant to the Amended Chapter 13 Plan, the Debtor seeks to modify the confirmed Plan in the following particulars:
  - a. The plan term has been extended to 84 months under the CARE Act.
  - b. The monthly Chapter 13 Plan payment has been increased from \$1406.00 to \$1550.00.
- 2. The proposed modification to the confirmed Plan will impact the treatment of the claims of the following creditors, and in the following particulars:
  - a. There are no additional creditors which will be affected.
- 3. Debtor submits that the reason(s) for the modification is (are) as follows:
  - a. To extend the plan term from 60 months to 84 months under the CARE Act in an attempt to bring the plan arrears current and to address the Trustee's Certificate of Default.
- 4. The Debtor submits that the requested modification is being proposed in good faith, and not for any means prohibited by law. The Debtor further submits that the proposed modification complies with 11 U.S.C. §1322(a), 1322(b), 3125(a) and 1329 and, except as set forth above, there are no other modifications sought by way of the Amended Chapter 13 Plan.

WHEREFORE, the Debtor respectfully requests that the Court enter an Order confirming the Amended Chapter 13 Plan, and for such relief the Court deems equitable and just.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020.

/s/ Michael C. Eisen
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Debtor 1	Janet	С.	Flaherty	
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Debtor 2				
(Spouse, if filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
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2.1, 3.1, 9.1

Chapter 13 Plan Dated: <u>JULY 13, 2020</u>

Part 1:

**Notices** 

To Debtors: This form sets out options that may be appropriate in some cases, but the presence of an option on the form does not indicate that the option is appropriate in your circumstances. Plans that do not comply with local rules and judicial rulings may not be confirmable. The terms of this plan control unless otherwise ordered by the court.

In the following notice to creditors, you must check each box that applies.

To Creditors: YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY THIS PLAN. YOUR CLAIM MAY BE REDUCED, MODIFIED, OR ELIMINATED.

You should read this plan carefully and discuss it with your attorney if you have one in this bankruptcy case. If you do not have an attorney, you may wish to consult one.

IF YOU OPPOSE THIS PLAN'S TREATMENT OF YOUR CLAIM OR ANY PROVISION OF THIS PLAN, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE AN OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS BEFORE THE DATE SET FOR THE CONFIRMATION HEARING, UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT. THE COURT MAY CONFIRM THIS PLAN WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE IF NO OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION IS FILED. SEE BANKRUPTCY RULE 3015. IN ADDITION, YOU MAY NEED TO FILE A TIMELY PROOF OF CLAIM IN ORDER TO BE PAID UNDER ANY PLAN.

The following matters may be of particular importance. Debtor(s) must check one box on each line to state whether the plan includes each of the following items. If the "Included" box is unchecked or both boxes are checked on each line, the provision will be ineffective if set out later in the plan.

1.1	A limit on the amount of any claim or arrearages set out in Part 3, which may result in a partial payment or no payment to the secured creditor (a separate action will be required to effectuate such limit)	Included	Not Included
	Avoidance of a judicial lien or nonpossessory, nonpurchase-money security interest, set out in Section 3.4 (a separate action will be required to effectuate such limit)	Included	Not Included
1.3	Nonstandard provisions, set out in Part 9	Included	Not Included

### Part 2:

2.1 Debtor(s) will make regular payments to the trustee:

Total amount of \$1550.00 per month for a remaining plan term of 23 months shall be paid to the trustee from future earnings as follows:

Payments

By Income Attachment Directly by Debtor

By Automated Bank Transfer

D#1

\$1550.00 \$

D#2

\$ \$

(Income attachments must be used by debtors having attachable income) (SSA direct deposit recipients only)

Doc 153 Filed 07/13/20 Entered 07/13/20 13:51:28 Debtor(Case 16-22227-JAD Page 4 of 11 Document 2.2 Additional payments: Unpaid Filing Fees. The balance of \$ shall be fully paid by the Trustee to the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court from the first available funds. Check one. None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Section 2.2 need not be completed or reproduced. The debtor(s) will make additional payment(s) to the trustee from other sources, as specified below. Describe the source, estimated amount, and date of each anticipated payment. The total amount to be paid into the plan (plan base) shall be computed by the trustee based on the total amount of plan payments 2.3 plus any additional sources of plan funding described above. Part 3: **Treatment of Secured Claims** 3.1 Maintenance of payments and cure of default, if any, on Long-Term Continuing Debts. Check one. None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Section 3.1 need not be completed or reproduced. The debtor(s) will maintain the current contractual installment payments on the secured claims listed below, with any changes required by the applicable contract and noticed in conformity with any applicable rules. These payments will be disbursed by the trustee. Any existing arrearage on a listed claim will be paid in full through disbursements by the trustee, without interest. If relief from the automatic stay is ordered as to any item of collateral listed in this paragraph, then, unless otherwise ordered by the court, all payments under this paragraph as to that collateral will cease, and all secured claims based on that collateral will no longer be treated by the plan. Name of creditor Collateral Current Amount of Start date installment (MM/YYYY) arrearage (if payment any) (including escrow) Caliber Home Loans 03/2020 Mtg on residence at 534 Seavey Street, \$829.79 \$0.00 Pittsburgh, PA 15209 3.2 Request for valuation of security, payment of fully secured claims, and modification of undersecured claims. Check one.

None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Section 3.2 need not be completed or reproduced.

The remainder of this paragraph will be effective only if the applicable box in Part 1 of this plan is checked.

The debtor(s) will request, by filing a separate adversary proceeding, that the court determine the value of the secured claims listed below.

For each secured claim listed below, the debtor(s) state that the value of the secured claims should be as set out in the column headed *Amount of secured claim*. For each listed claim, the value of the secured claim will be paid in full with interest at the rate stated below.

The portion of any allowed claim that exceeds the amount of the secured claim will be treated as an unsecured claim under Part 5. If the amount of a creditor's secured claim is listed below as having no value, the creditor's allowed claim will be treated in its entirety as an unsecured claim under Part 5 (provided that an appropriate order of court is obtained through an adversary proceeding).

Name of creditor	Estimated amount of creditor's total claim (See Para. 8.7 below)	Collateral	Value of collateral	claims senior	Amount of secured claim	Interest rate	Monthly payment to creditor
	\$		\$	\$	\$	%	\$

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3.3 Secured claims excluded from 11 U.S.C. § 506.

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The claims listed below	were either:				
(1) Incurred within 910 days use of the debtor(s), or	s before the petition date and secured	by a purchase money se	curity interest	in a motor ve	hicle acquired for pers
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#### 3.6 Secured tax claims.

Name of taxing authority	Total amount of claim	Type of tax	Interest rate*	Identifying number(s) if collateral is real estate	Tax periods
PA Municipal Service Co.	\$8142.01	School	10%	166-N-46	2014-2015
Twp of Shaler c/o Jordan Tax	\$697.89	Twp	10%	166-N-46	2014-2015
County of Allegheny	\$1576.87	County	12%	166-N-46	2015-2016
c/o Goerhing Rutter Boehm					

<sup>\*</sup> The secured tax claims of the Internal Revenue Service, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and any other tax claimants shall bear interest at the statutory rate in effect as of the date of confirmation.

Part 4:

Treatment of Fees and Priority Claims

#### 4.1 General.

Trustee's fees and all allowed priority claims, including Domestic Support Obligations other than those treated in Section 4.5, will be paid in full without postpetition interest.

#### 4.2 Trustee's fees.

Trustee's fees are governed by statute and may change during the course of the case. The trustee shall compute the trustee's percentage fees and publish the prevailing rates on the court's website for the prior five years. It is incumbent upon the debtor(s)' attorney or debtor (if *pro se*) and the trustee to monitor any change in the percentage fees to insure that the plan is adequately funded.

#### 4.3 Attorney's fees.

Attorney's fees are payable to M. Eisen & Associates, P.C. In addition to a retainer of \$1,000.00 of which \$500.00 was a payment to reimburse costs advanced and/or a no-look costs deposit) already paid by or on behalf of the debtor, the amount of \$3,500.00 is to be paid at the rate of \$250.00 per month. Including any retainer paid, a total of \$0.00 in fees and costs reimbursement has been approved by the court to date, based on a combination of the no-look fee and costs deposit and previously approved application(s) for compensation above the no-look fee. An additional \$0.00 will be sought through a fee application to be filed and approved before any additional amount will be paid through the plan, and this plan contains sufficient funding to pay that additional amount, without diminishing the amounts required to be paid under this plan to holders of allowed unsecured claims.



Check here if a no-look fee in the amount provided for in Local Bankruptcy Rule 9020-7(c) is being requested for services rendered to the debtor(s) through participation in the bankruptcy court's Loss Mitigation Program (do not include the no-look fee in the total amount of compensation requested, above).

#### 4.4 Priority claims not treated elsewhere in Part 4.

None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Section 4.4 need not be completed or reproduced.

Name of creditor	Total amount of claim	Interest rate (0% if blank)	Statute providing priority status
	\$	%	

Insert additional claims as needed.

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4.5	Priority Domestic Support	Obligations not assigned of	r owed to a governmental unit.

	If the debtor(s) is/are currently paying Domestic S debtor(s) expressly agrees to continue paying an				
	Check here if this payment is for prepetition a	arrearages only.			
	Name of creditor (specify the actual payee, e.g SCDU)	g. PA <b>Description</b>	Clai	m	Monthly payment or pro rata
			\$		\$
	Insert additional claims as needed.				
4.6	Domestic Support Obligations assigned or ov	ved to a governmental ເ	ınit and paid less than ful	l amount.	
	Check one.				
	None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Sect	ion 4.6 need not be comp	oleted or reproduced.		
	The allowed priority claims listed below a governmental unit and will be paid less th payments in Section 2.1 be for a term of 60 r	an the full amount of the	ne claim under 11 U.S.C.		
	Name of creditor		Amount of claim to be p	paid	
			\$		
	Insert additional claims as needed.				
4.7	Priority unsecured tax claims paid in full.				
	Name of taxing authority	Total amount of claim	Type of tax	Interest rate (0% if blank)	Tax periods
Par	ment of Nonpriority Unsecured Clair	ms			
5.1	Nonpriority unsecured claims not separately	classified.			
	Debtor(s) <b>ESTIMATE(S)</b> that a total of \$6000.00	will be available for d	listribution to nonpriority uns	secured creditors.	
	Debtor(s) <b>ACKNOWLEDGE(S)</b> that a <b>MINIMUI</b> alternative test for confirmation set forth in 11 U.S.		id to nonpriority unsecured	d creditors to com	ply with the liquidation
	The total pool of funds estimated above is <b>NC</b> available for payment to these creditors under the percentage of payment to general unsecured allowed claims. Late-filed claims will not be paid pro-rata unless an objection has been filed within included in this class.	ne plan base will be dete creditors is $5\%$ . The plunless all timely filed cl	rmined only after audit of the percentage of payment ma aims have been paid in ful	ne plan at time of y change, based I. Thereafter, all la	completion. The estimated upon the total amount of ite-filed claims will be paid
5.2	Maintenance of payments and cure of any def	ault on nonpriority uns	ecured claims.		
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	None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Section	on 5.2 need not be comp	leted or reproduced.		
	The debtor(s) will maintain the contractual ir which the last payment is due after the fina amount will be paid in full as specified below	l plan payment. These p	ayments will be disbursed		
	Name of creditor	Current installment payment	Amount of arrearage to be paid on the claim		Payment beginning date (MM/

YYYY)

Insert additional claims as needed.

### 5.3 Postpetition utility monthly payments.

The provisions of Section 5.3 are available only if the utility provider has agreed to this treatment. These payments comprise a single monthly combined payment for postpetition utility services, any postpetition delinquencies, and unpaid security deposits. The claim payment will not change for the life of the plan. Should the utility obtain a court order authorizing a payment change, the debtor(s) will be required to file an amended plan. These payments may not resolve all of the postpetition claims of the utility. The utility may require additional funds from the debtor(s) after discharge.

Name of creditor	Monthly payment	Postpetition account number
	\$	

Insert additional claims as needed.

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5.4 Ot	her separatel	v classified	nonpriority	unsecured claims.
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Check one.

None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Section 5.4 need not be completed or reproduced.

The allowed nonpriority unsecured claims listed below are separately classified and will be treated as follows:

Name of creditor	Basis for separate classification and treatment	Amount of arrearage to be paid	Interest rate	Estimated total payments by trustee
		\$	%	\$

Insert additional claims as needed.

Part 6:

**Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases** 

6.1 The executory contracts and unexpired leases listed below are assumed and will be treated as specified. All other executory contracts and unexpired leases are rejected.

Check one.

None. If "None" is checked, the rest of Section 6.1 need not be completed or reproduced.

Assumed items. Current installment payments will be disbursed by the trustee. Arrearage payments will be disbursed by the trustee.

Name of creditor	Description of leased property or executory contract	Current installment payment	Amount of arrearage to be paid	Estimated total payments by trustee	Payment beginning date (MM/ YYYY)
		\$	\$	\$	

Insert additional claims as needed

#### Part 7:

7.1 Property of the estate shall not re-vest in the debtor(s) until the debtor(s) have completed all payments under the confirmed plan.

### Part 8:

- 8.1 This is the voluntary chapter 13 reorganization plan of the debtor(s). The debtor(s) understand and agree(s) that the chapter 13 plan may be extended as necessary by the trustee (up to any period permitted by applicable law) to insure that the goals of the plan have been achieved. Notwithstanding any statement by the trustee's office concerning amounts needed to fund a plan, the adequacy of plan funding in order to meet the plan goals remains the sole responsibility of debtor(s) and debtor(s)' attorney. It shall be the responsibility of the debtor(s) and debtor(s)' attorney to monitor the plan to ensure that the plan remains adequately funded during its entire term.
- 8.2 Prior to the meeting of creditors, the debtor(s) shall comply with the tax return filing requirements of 11 U.S.C § 1308 and provide the trustee with documentation of such compliance by the time of the meeting. Debtor(s)' attorney or debtor(s) (if pro se) shall provide the trustee with the information needed for the trustee to comply with the requirements of 11 U.S.C. § 1302 as to the notification to be given to Domestic Support Obligation creditors, and debtor(s)' attorney or debtor(s) (if pro se) shall provide the trustee with the calculations relied upon to determine the debtor(s)' current monthly income and disposable income.
- 8.3 The debtor(s) shall have a duty to inform the trustee of any assets acquired while the chapter 13 case is pending, such as insurance proceeds, recovery on any lawsuit or claims for personal injury or property damage, lottery winnings, or inheritances. The debtor(s) must obtain prior court approval before entering into any postpetition financing or borrowing of any kind, and before selling any assets.

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- **8.4** Unless otherwise stated in this plan or permitted by a court order, all claims or debts provided for by the plan to receive a distribution shall be paid by and through the trustee.
- 8.5 Percentage fees to the trustee are paid on receipts of plan payments at the rate fixed by the United States Trustee. The trustee has the discretion to adjust, interpret, and implement the distribution schedule to carry out the plan, provided that, to the extent the trustee seeks a material modification of this plan or its contemplated distribution schedule, the trustee must seek and obtain prior authorization of the court. The trustee shall follow this standard plan form sequence unless otherwise ordered by the court:

Level One: Unpaid filing fees.

Level Two: Secured claims and lease payments entitled to 11 U.S.C. § 1326(a)(1)(C) pre-confirmation adequate protection payments.

Level Three: Monthly ongoing mortgage payments, ongoing vehicle and lease payments, installments on professional fees, and

postpetition utility claims.

Level Four: Priority Domestic Support Obligations.

Level Five: Mortgage arrears, secured taxes, rental arrears, vehicle payment arrears.

Level Six: All remaining secured, priority and specially classified claims, and miscellaneous secured arrears.

Level Seven: Allowed nonpriority unsecured claims.

Level Eight: Untimely filed nonpriority unsecured claims for which an objection has not been filed.

- 8.6 As a condition to the debtor(s)' eligibility to receive a discharge upon successful completion of the plan, debtor(s)' attorney or debtor(s) (if pro se) shall file Local Bankruptcy Form 24 (Debtor's Certification of Discharge Eligibility) with the court within forty-five (45) days after making the final plan payment.
- 8.7 The provisions for payment to secured, priority, and specially classified unsecured creditors in this plan shall constitute claims in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 3004. Proofs of claim by the trustee will not be required. In the absence of a contrary timely filed proof of claim, the amounts stated in the plan for each claim are controlling. The clerk shall be entitled to rely on the accuracy of the information contained in this plan with regard to each claim. Unless otherwise ordered by the court, if a secured, priority, or specially classified creditor timely files its own claim, then the creditor's claim shall govern, provided the debtor(s) and debtor(s)' attorney have been given notice and an opportunity to object. The trustee is authorized, without prior notice, to pay claims exceeding the amount provided in the plan by not more than \$250.
- 8.8 Any creditor whose secured claim is not modified by this plan and subsequent order of court shall retain its lien.
- 8.9 Any creditor whose secured claim is modified or whose lien is reduced by the plan shall retain its lien until the underlying debt is discharged under 11 U.S.C. § 1328 or until it has been paid the full amount to which it is entitled under applicable nonbankruptcy law, whichever occurs earlier. Upon payment in accordance with these terms and entry of a discharge order, the modified lien will terminate and be released. The creditor shall promptly cause all mortgages, liens, and security interests encumbering the collateral to be satisfied, discharged, and released.
- 8.10 The provisions of Sections 8.8 and 8.9 will also apply to allowed secured, priority, and specially classified unsecured claims filed after the bar date. LATE-FILED CLAIMS NOT PROPERLY SERVED ON THE TRUSTEE AND THE DEBTOR(S)' ATTORNEY OR DEBTOR(S) (IF PRO SE) WILL NOT BE PAID. The responsibility for reviewing the claims and objecting where appropriate is placed upon the debtor(s).

### Part 9:

9.1 Check "None" or List Nonstandard Plan Provisions.
None. If "None" is checked, the rest of part 9 need not be completed or reproduced.
Under Bankruptcy Rule 3015(c), nonstandard provisions must be set forth below. A nonstandard provision is a provision not otherwise included in the Local Form or deviating from it. Nonstandard provisions set out elsewhere in this plan are ineffective.
The following plan provisions will be effective only if the applicable box in Part 1 is checked. Any provision set forth herein is subject to court approval after notice and a hearing upon the filing of an appropriate motion.
Under the CARE ACT this plan is being extended to 84 months

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## Part 10:

#### 10.1 Signatures of Debtor(s) and Debtor(s)' Attorney.

If the debtor(s) do not have an attorney, the debtor(s) must sign below; otherwise the debtor(s)' signatures are optional. The attorney for the debtor(s), if any, must sign below.

By signing this plan the undersigned, as debtor(s)' attorney or the debtor(s) (if pro se), certify(ies) that I/we have reviewed any prior confirmed plan(s), order(s) confirming prior plan(s), proofs of claim filed with the court by creditors, and any orders of court affecting the amount(s) or treatment of any creditor claims, and except as modified herein, this proposed plan conforms to and is consistent with all such prior plans, orders, and claims. False certifications shall subject the signatories to sanctions under Bankruptcy Rule 9011.

By filing this document, debtor(s)' attorney or debtor(s) (if pro se), also certify(ies) that the wording and order of the provisions in this chapter 13 plan are identical to those contained in the standard chapter 13 plan form adopted for use by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, other than any nonstandard provisions included in Part 9. It is further acknowledged that any deviation from the standard plan form shall not become operative unless it is specifically identified as a "nonstandard" term and is approved by the court in a separate order.

X /s/ Janet C. Flaherty	X /s/		
Signature of Debtor 1	Signature of Debtor 2		
Executed on 07/13/2020	Executed on		
MM/DD/YYYY	MM/DD/YYYY		
X /s/ Michael C. Eisen	Date 07/13/2020		
Signature of debtor(s)' attorney	MM/DD/YYYY		